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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
P.O. Box 94275, Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application Notice
N2 Sand, Reservoir J
SOUTH PASS BLOCK 27 FIELD
Plaquemines, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Energy Partners, LTD. ("Applicant") hereby makes application to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating the N2 Sand, Reservoir J, in the South Pass Block 27 Field, Plaquemines, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the N2 Sand, Reservoir J, in the South Pass Block 27 Field, Plaquemines, Louisiana.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
4. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit so created at the location as shown on the attached plat.
5. To provide that any future replacement or alternate unit wells drilled to the N2 Sand, Reservoir J, should be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The N2 Sand, Reservoir J, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8,742 feet and 8,790 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Energy Partners, LTD. (Flores & Rucks, Inc.) - State Lease 1010 No. 2 (State Lease 1008 No. B-56 Sidetrack No. 1) (WSN 200536) Well, located in South Pass Block 27 Field, Plaquemines, Louisiana.

A timely request for the conference tentatively scheduled in the pre-application notice dated March 1, 2001 was not received and therefore the conference will not be held.

All pertinent data relating to the subject application is available for inspection at the Offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

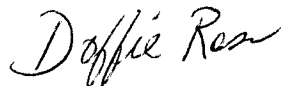
The Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and a copy of the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected by this application and will cause the publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the West Bay Field. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof, a plat outlining the proposed unit and a list of names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. The aforementioned list is available upon request to any Interested Party. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is enclosed herewith on behalf of the Applicant a check made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.



Doffie Ross

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Interested Parties, Interested Owners
and Represented Parties (w/plat)

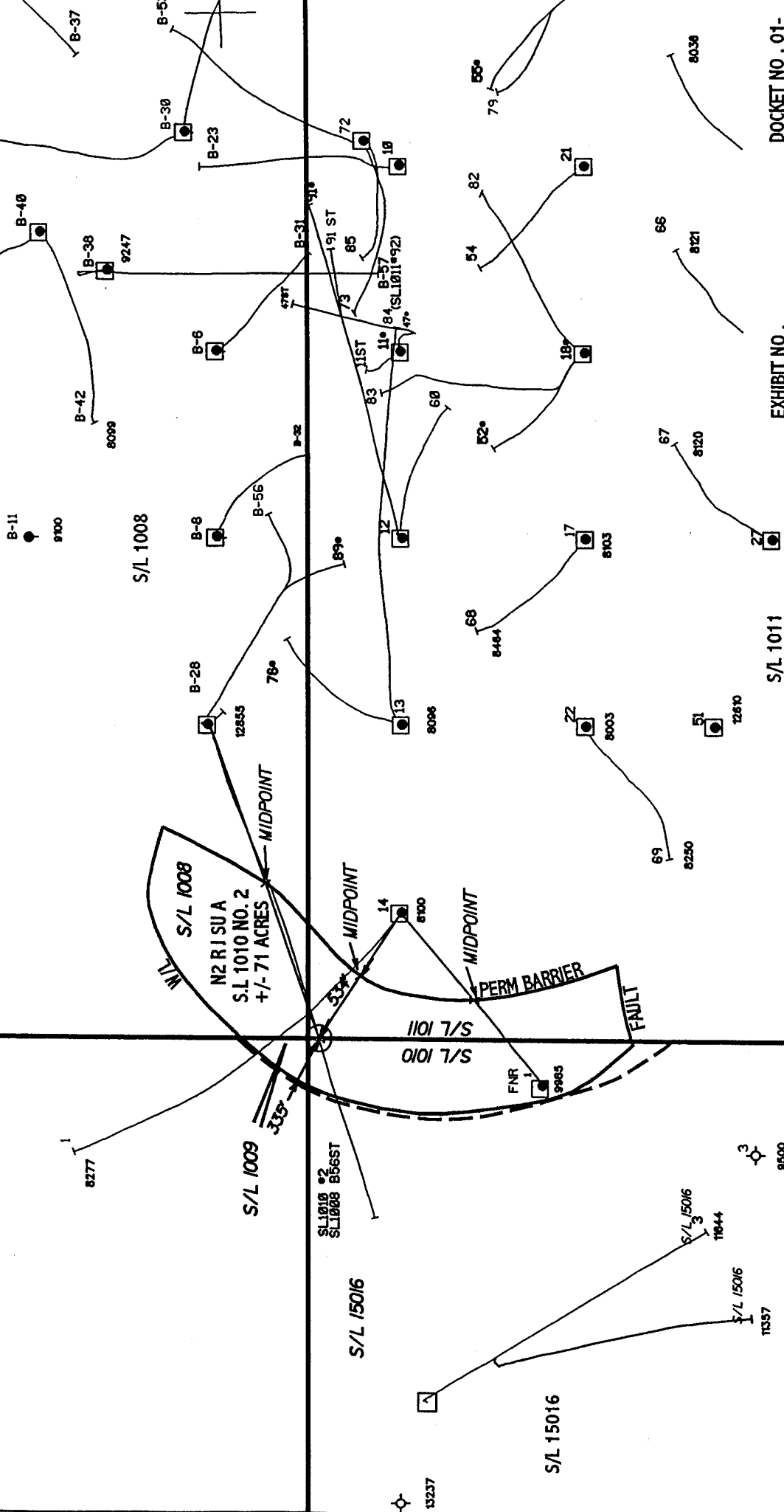


EXHIBIT NO. 01-
DOCKET NO. 01-

ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.

SOUTH PASS BLOCK 27 FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT
N2 SAND



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